

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-142. (canceled)

Claim 143. (new) An editing system for editing a plurality of clips, comprising:
editing means for editing said plurality of clips to produce an edit resultant clip,
comprising:

an edit module for edit processing said plurality of clips;
a composite module for composite processing said plurality of clips; and
a special effect module for special effect processing said plurality of clips;
wherein said editing means produces module identification information
indicating the processing to be performed on said plurality of clips by said edit
module, said composite module, and said special effect module in producing said
edit resultant clip; and link information indicating a tree structure for linking said
plurality of clips in producing said edit resultant clip; and
user interface means for displaying and controlling graphical user interfaces
corresponding to processing performed by said edit module, said composite processing
module, and said special effect module; the graphical user interfaces including a clip tree
window for graphically displaying said tree structure for said plurality of clips.

Claim 144. (new) The editing system according to claim 143, wherein said module
identification information and link information are stored in a clip database in which information
relating to each of said plurality of clips is registered.

Claim 145. (new) The editing system according to claim 143, wherein a current clip to be edited from said clip tree window is graphically designated in said clip tree window.

Claim 146. (new) A method of editing a plurality of clips to produce an edit resultant clip, comprising the steps of:

displaying and controlling graphical user interfaces corresponding to processing to be performed on said plurality of clips, including edit processing, composite processing, and special effect processing; the graphical user interfaces including a clip tree window for graphically displaying a tree structure indicating links between said plurality of clips;

producing module identification information indicating edit processing, composite processing, and special effect processing to be performed on said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip; and link information indicating said tree structure displayed in said clip tree window;

editing said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip in accordance with said module identification information and said link information.

Claim 147. (new) The method according to claim 146, wherein said module identification information and link information are stored in a clip database in which information relating to each of said plurality of clips is registered.

Claim 148. (new) The method according to claim 146, wherein a current clip to be edited from said clip tree window is graphically designated in said clip tree window.